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REFAIR NOT RECEIVED LIBREVILLE UNTIL MAY 23. IN ANY
CASE, QUICK SURVEY GIVES EMBASSY IMPRESSION THAT TRW
WOULD BE ABLE TO MAKE SALES IN GABON. NO SUCH
PRODUCTS PRODUCED IN GABON, AND IN 1973 TOTAL IMPORTS
OF PUMPS AND RELATED PRODUCTS AMOUNTED TO ABOUT DOLS 3.6
MILLION. MAJORITY OF IMPORTS COME FROM FRANCE, ALTHOUGH
ABOUT DOLS 450,000 COME FROM U.S.. MARKET IN FUTURE SHOULD
BE EVEN LARGER AS GABON EXPANDS ITS ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES.
BELIEVE THAT BEST POSSIBILITIES IN GABON WOULD BE
PRECUSSION DRILLING TOOLS FOR MINING INDUSTRY, CENTRIFUGAL
PUMPS FOR WOOD AND PULP SECTOR, AND ANY OTHER TYPE OF PUMP
USED IN MINING OR OIL SECTOR. EMBASSY BELIEVES VISIT
OF TRW WOULD BE USEFUL, BUT AS USDOC AWARE, MANY OF
PURCHASE DECISIONS FOR EQUIPMENT TO BE USED IN GABON
MADE ELSEWHERE (E.G. ELF GABON - PARIS, SOGACEL - FINLAND,
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